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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR SPECIAL PROGRAMMING FOR BEGUM RAMAY

1. COMMANDER SAJJAD HUSSAIN, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO PUNJAB CHIEF MINISTER HANIF RAMAY, INFORMS ME THAT LATTER'S WIFE BEGUM SHAHEEN RAMAY INTENDS VISIT CALIFORNIA FOR ABOUT TWO MONTHS FOLLOWING PRIMIN BHUTTO'S CURRENT VISIT TO WASHINGTON AND WOULD APPRECIATE ASSISTANCE IN OBSERVING SOCIAL SERVICE INSTITUTIONS OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO HER. HE SPECIFICALLY CITED RED CROSS. SAJJAD PROMISED FURTHER DETAILS IN DAY OR TWO.

2. AS DEPARTMENT KNOWS, BEGUM RAMAY IS PROMINENT MEMBER OF PRIMIN'S ENTOURAGE FOR OFFICIAL VISIT STARTING FEBRUARY 4. SHE IS EXCEEDINGLY ACTIVE IN WIDE RANGE OF SOCIAL WORK IN PUNJAB AND SHOULD BENEFIT GREATLY FROM RELATED OBSERVATIONAL EXPERIENCE IN U.S. SHE IS, FOR EXAMPLE, PRESIDENT OF PUNJAB BRANCH OF PAKISTAN RED CRESCENT SOCIETY (RED CROSS EQUIVALENT) AND JUST LAST WEEK WAS NAMED PATRON-IN-CHIEF OF PUNJAB CHARITABLE MEDICINE BANK TO ELICIT PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF DISEASES OF POOR AND DESTITUTE HOSPITAL PATIENTS.

3. BEGUM RAMAY IS ARTICULATE, ATTRACTIVE YOUNG WOMAN, FLUENT IN ENGLISH. SHE IS ALSO PATRONESS OF THE ARTS AND HAS BEEN CHIEF GUEST AT AMERICAN CENTER CULTURAL EVENTS HERE. SHE AND CM HAVE SON LIVING WITH HER SISTER AND FAMILY IN CALIFORNIA AND ATTENDING SCHOOL. BEGUM  
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RAMAY WOULD PRESUMABLY BE STAYING WITH THEM.

4. DEPARTMENT: SUGGEST ACTION OFFICE CONTACT BEGUM RAMAY  
DURING WASHINGTON VISIT TO DETERMINE PROGRAMMING DESIRES  
AND PROVIDE FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE. WILL REPORT ANY  
FURTHER INFO PROVIDED BY SAJJAD HUSSAIN.  
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